

EDITORIALS

Your Vote Needed

The apparent unanimity of feeling on the special bond issue election next Tuesday can become a booby trap for those inclined to take things for granted. The attitude that these two important proposals will pass without the help of every eligible voter is dangerous and may dash the hopes of proponents working so earnestly for a favorable vote.

The issue at stake plainly is: will Torrance go forward to meet the challenge, or will it default on an opportunity to catch up with itself that may not soon come again?

More than one worthwhile candidate or issue has been forsaken at the polls by eligible voters who forgot or didn't even bother because they thought their vote wasn't needed.

In voting favorably on both propositions, at next Tuesday's special election, every voter has an opportunity to acquire for himself some very fine and lasting benefits. The city needs and can afford a new city hall and police station at once, and it needs ground space for the eventual development of an adequate civic center. The youth of this dynamic community need every available worthwhile facility that will contribute to their wholesome development. The swimming pool is one answer and the city can afford it.

Don't think your vote isn't needed next Tuesday. Consider it your duty to go to the polls and place a resounding stamp of approval on the efforts of those civic leaders who are building a greater Torrance.

Better Stay Scared

In his Denver press conference following a meeting with President Eisenhower, Vice President Nixon announced that the Chief Executive will make at least one more "straight political" speech before Election Day than had been planned; as well as several "non-political" appearances that he thinks may just happen to suggest to the people "the record of the administration."

While the President's remaining campaign schedule is not to be considered as inflexible, Mr. Nixon said he thought it would be "enough to do the trick." He had revealed to the President, he said, his conviction that the GOP will carry the Senate, and with continued and unwavering campaigning will also "win a margin in the House." The Vice President brushed off the Democratic charge that he had, as a senator, voted against ten measures the President had later sponsored as indication of their "complete lack of issues." The Democrats, he thought, "are getting hysterical and swinging wildly."

This sounds rather different than Mr. Nixon's earlier (and sound) advice to his party to "run scared." And it must be a little confusing to the party leaders around the country who are viewing with alarm, chewing their fingernails and generally reporting public apathy and light registrations.

But Mr. Nixon seems pretty sure that if the President makes one extra speech about his program and his need of Congressional support in putting it through, this will overcome what GOP observers report as a new, dangerous and growing public belief that a Republican Administration and a Democratic Congress might not be a bad thing.

And Mr. Nixon may be right, since he has also hinted this last Presidential campaign speech may be made in or near Washington. In spite of all the news reports of how much work President Eisenhower has done at his Lowry Air Force Base office, the millions of voters to whom a vacation is two weeks out of 52, will not consider their President is back on the job until he returns to the White House. Psychologically, a vacationing President is not a fighting President. It is only human to think: "If he isn't worried, why should I be?"

After all these weeks of hearing the Doud residence in Denver referred to as "the Summer White House," it was a bit startling to hear a radio commentator speak of it, just the other night, as "the Fall White House!"

LAW IN ACTION

DEFENSE COUNSEL OFTEN UNJUSTLY CRITICIZED

If you do not provide for the proper defense of all who are accused of crime, then the innocent, when falsely accused, have no way to prove their innocence. So under our law we look on a man as innocent until he is found guilty under proper court proceedings.

From this it follows that all of us have the right to be represented by a lawyer. Since the lawyer has a duty to represent you, much criticism of him is unjust.

Should a lawyer defend persons in court if he knows or thinks they have done the acts of which they are accused? Yes. The worst criminal has a right to a fair trial. This he cannot have unless a lawyer sees that he has a fair jury and that it hears only lawful evidence against him.

Sometimes the defense counsel arouses public feeling by his sincere efforts to see that his client has every proper legal safeguard. The public may misunderstand these legal moves. For the public they seem to be an unethical effort to defeat justice, by delay or by taking advantage of certain "technicalities."

Attorneys should tell people that it is one of our basic democratic rights to be considered innocent until legal evidence proves our guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

All who are charged with crime have a right to an attorney's aid. An attorney swears to see that the accused gets each protective legal right to which he is entitled. NOTE: The State Bar of California offers this column for your information so that you may know more about how to act under our laws.

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Criswell Predicts

An Accurate Glimpse of the Future

Criswell will answer your questions if you will write him in care of the Torrance Herald, signing your full name and address. Only initials will be used in the answers which will appear in rotation as requested and as space permits. There is no charge for this service. Write Criswell Predicts today!

WATCH OUT FOR THIS FRAUD!

A book company will send you a circular through the mail offering you a ten-day free examination of a certain book. The sales letter is so good that you accept the offer—the book arrives and with it a bill, dated before you sent for the free offer. The book, company's lawyer sends you a dunning letter, threatening you with a law suit for the collection of this debt if you do not send the money in at once. The book is overpriced, so your next step should be to notify your post office, your Better Business Bureau or the editor of this newspaper to stop this fraud! Do not pay for the book, but send it back insured at once!

COMING HUSH HUSH EVENTS!

A very famous man, whose name is a household word, will quietly expire from softening of the brain due to his alcoholic habits and his disregard for his health. This man is the idol of millions of boys, and for this reason has been kept out of the public eye due to his drunken escapades! . . . One of our most famous Hollywood actresses will be out of the public eye for the next three months due to a complete face lift, and having the rolls of fat removed from her hips and stomach through surgery! . . . One of our former child prodigy violin players will come to grief with his present wife, who will take him to court for a settlement, in spite of his present plea that she is a bigamist, which will not be honored by the judge!

WOMEN WHO WILL MAKE NEWS:

Bobo Rockefeller will receive one of the highest prices ever paid by a publisher for her intimate confessions! . . . Ruth Roman, who has been out of the limelight for sometime, will soon hit the screen in her greatest role as a dissolute woman of fortune in "The Sinner" . . . Mammie Eisenhower will break all precedents when she personally invites one hundred women from one hundred professions from one hundred communities for a special buffet luncheon at the White House just for "a gab fest" . . . Rachel Mussolini, the widow of the late Italian dictator, will marry into one of the wealthiest families in Europe by mid-1955! . . . Ava Gardner will make a very sizable settlement with Frank Sinatra!

REGRET PREDICTIONS:

I regret to predict that one of our most talked about men, who has been a public idol for years, will be deported from the country as an alien, plus being an active worker for the Communist Party! . . . I regret to predict that one of our largest ocean-going vessels will be junked as unseaworthy! . . . I regret to predict that one of the richest men in all the world will soon die for he is beyond medical help, and

he will not turn to God, for he is an avowed atheist! . . . I regret to predict that the son of a very famous personality will not permit his father's life to be filmed until he is paid an exorbitant fee, which he openly boasts he will turn over to the Communist Party for propaganda purposes in this country!

JUST FOR YOU GIRLS!

A modern version of the old-fashioned middie blouse will be in high fashion in 1955. The collar will be trimmed with sequins with a sequin tie, and will be designed to give you that flat boyish look! . . . A new hair rinse with a built-in radiance which will give your hair that electric brightness, a lipstick which will glow in the dark, mascara with a silver or gold base to enhance your eyes, and a new French wax which will tighten up the sagging muscles—will be on your cosmetic counter within the next six months! . . . You will delight in a new three-way girle which will trim and thin you down for the new silhouette! . . . The coming way to make money in your home will be to raise canaries, and this will pay out handsomely as a home hobby!

YOUR HEADLINES OF THE FUTURE

Million-dollar sports scandal hits New York! . . . Famous dancer arrested on narcotics charge! . . . Rat packs invade Boston! . . . College professor deported as red spy! . . . New cure found for arthritis! . . . Grave of President desecrated! . . . Famed author suicide over loss of new book! . . . Royal scandal shocks Europe! . . . Riots in Detroit over election of union officials! . . . Washington, D. C., scene of tragic death of a patriot! . . . New hospital plan gives safety to millions! . . . Shocking confessions of former diplomat stir State Department into action! . . . Noted columnist jailed in blackmail charge! . . . New secret weapon perfected! . . . France faces new series of Cabinet crises! . . . Polio epidemic rages in Cuba!

Miss EIE: Continue your association with this young man, but do not limit yourself, as there are others who will offer you wonderful companionship and love. He is a very shy boy, and it is you who must be the stronger when you are with him.

Pauline S: Your daughter should be extremely selective. Previously this boy was mentally undecided on what he wished to do. The woman always marries the man, and the man never the woman. Your daughter should be sure she marries someone worthy of her.

Mrs. RBH 22911: I suggest your husband go to the large general hospital clinic for further diagnosis and medical

treatment, and I know his condition will improve. I do not feel there will be any after-effects of your fall, but it is always wise to have periodic physical checkups.

Mrs. JTM 804: I do not suggest that your husband and his friends spend too much time or money concerning this mine, and they should handle this as more or less a sideline. I feel there will soon be further news concerning this venture.

Elizabeth RG 4320: You should continue to work on this invention and make sure that production will be very simple and inexpensive, and that the demand will be great. Consult an attorney for marketing. Ignore any temper tantrums, and they will ease.

Mrs. Harold W 3216: Your daughter does possess talent, and I feel it is wisest for her to pursue this as more of an avocation.

Kay M 1610: I am so happy you enjoy my TV program, and thank you so much for your kind words. Actually you possess an inner painting ability, but not the know-how to express it. Through this schooling you will be taught basic principles and will be able to apply them effectively. I know this will greatly please you. Stick to real estate, but paint as a hobby.

Mrs. DS 1629: I feel the news concerning your oil and gas lease will please you in the near future.

As you read this, Russia is beaming 55 hours of propaganda a day into Southeast Asia from Indo-China to Singapore. This compares with only five hours from the Voice of America. If radio publicity and repetition sells soap and cigarettes . . . and political aspirants this season . . . it also sells Communism for Russia in the hot-spots of the world. If all Indo-China goes Red, which is likely, you can give much of the credit to "Radio Moscow and Radio Peiping."

Every major nation in the world has an official "Radio Voice of America." The largest and most extensive is Russia's. For simplicity call it "Radio Russia," although it comes under the names "Radio Moscow," "Radio Vladivostok," "People's Voice," etc., and broadcasts 88 hours per day around the world. On my last, as well as all my trips around the world, "Radio Russia" was heard by me without a break from Finland to Formosa. The best the U. S. can do against this "Voice of Falsehood" is only 23 hours per day.

Russia spends over \$250,000,000 on its "Voice," while we spend a measly \$18,000,000 on the "Voice of America," for overall propaganda Russia spends over a billion dollars, while the U. S. budget for the United States Information Agency is only \$77,000,000. Russia spends more for jamming U. S. broadcasts than we spend for all broadcasting. This in a nutshell is one of the important reasons why Communism has made such inroads all over the world. To make matters worse, a shortsighted Congress this year, instead of doubling or tripling the USIA budget, reduced it, cutting over \$3,000,000 from the 1953 appropriation of the "Voice of America" alone.

U. S. Information Program Abroad

President Truman recommended to Congress in 1947 the establishment of a U. S. Information Service abroad and the "Voice of America" became the radio branch of this new agency. Indifference and public apathy toward Communism in those days allowed USIA, as well as other government agencies, to be infiltrated by Communists. The "Voice of America" was particularly vulnerable because of the need for language experts. Security measures were lax and many Reds infiltrated into USIS and the whole agency and information program fell into disrepute. Those were the days of Alger Hiss and Julius Rosenberg.

An aroused citizenry forced a house cleaning and under President Eisenhower's Reorganization Plan No. 8 of August, 1953, the whole USIS program was reorganized from top to bottom. The new agency is called U. S. Information Agency (USIA), but retaining the old initials of USIS abroad because of their familiarity in foreign countries. The President appointed Theodore Strelbert, chairman of the board of MBC (Mutual Broadcasting Company) as the new director of USIA, who sits with the National Security Council reporting directly to the President.

"What's Right with America" USIS operates 155 information centers in 63 countries abroad. This includes libraries and cultural relations programs, movies, lectures, a press service for foreign newspapers, pamphlet distribution, etc. Its purpose is to interpret the real America to the

people of the world . . . to expose hostile attempts of our enemies to distort and falsify our intentions and objectives. To attempt to do all this on a budget of \$77,000,000 against a Russian budget of 1 billion dollars is ridiculous and impossible.

Russian information centers are more elaborate than USIS all over the world. Their coverage is more extensive. I have seen a hundred Russian propagandists operate in areas covered by 10 staff members of USIS. In addition, the Reds are assisted by militant local fanatical Communists who work around the clock in spite of these disadvantages, USIS and the "Voice of America," by superior staffing and personnel are establishing a good record of selling America, but fall far short of meeting the Communist challenge and the important job to be done.

Your Voice of America During the Korean War when "Radio Moscow" and "Radio Peiping" were barraging accusations of "germ warfare" in midwinter 1952, the "Voice of America" countered with the scientific fact that no germ could stay alive in 18 below zero in Korea. This had such an effect that cartoons and jokes were circulated of frozen germs crawling and dragging pieces of ice along the street. In Seoul I saw posters of old man winter blowing germs from his mouth which froze before reaching the ground. This ridicule was so effective that it stilled "Radio Peiping on the subject of germs."

When Bulgaria was about to devalue its currency, VOA exposed it to the people behind the Iron Curtain prematurely, creating financial panic all over the country, from which Bulgaria has not yet recovered. VOA, even with its limited budget, is doing such an effective job that Radio Peiping in a recent broadcast, urging the people not to listen to VOA, said: "The Voice of America is 10,000 times more destructive than an atom bomb."

VOA on \$18,000,000 operates 75 transmitting stations, 35 in the U. S. and 40 abroad. Its headquarters were recently transferred from New York to Washington. It employs about 1600 carefully screened people. VOA broadcasts in 34 languages (Russia in 40), including Albanian, Armenian, Bulgarian, Czech-Slovak, Estonian, Lithuanian, Polish, Rumanian, Russian, Serbo-Croat, Slovene, Spanish, Ukrainian; in the Far East, Amoy, Burmese, Cantonese, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Thai, Vietnamese; for the Near East and Africa, Arabic, Greek, Persian and Turkish.

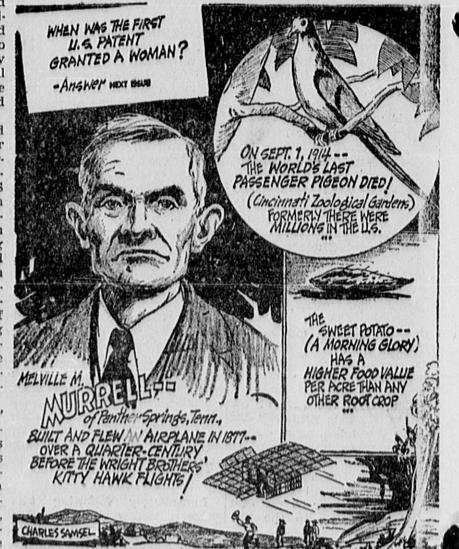
Our superiority in radio techniques overcomes the power of some 1000 jamming Russian stations. While severe penalties prevent many behind the Iron Curtain from listening to VOA, it nevertheless gets through, judging from letters smuggled through to our headquarters.

USIS and VOA are America's "truth weapons" abroad in the cold war propaganda. FBI trained Charles Noone as new chief of security, is the watchdog for subversives in the agency. His recent comment: "There are no Communists in USIS now," has been confirmed here and abroad. With the power of Christianity rising in defiance of atheism behind the Iron Curtain, religious programs are being increased by 50 per cent on VOA.

I have visited our VOA relay facilities in Munich, Slovakia, Colombia, Tangier, Okinawa and other places around the globe many times. The reorganization of USIA—eliminating bad risks and misfires—reducing for economy reasons a staff of 13,500 to 9200 employees—has brought efficiency and a new spirit throughout the whole agency. It is now left for Congress not only to restore the recent cuts, but to substantially increase the present appropriation to USIA for a more effective job in the propaganda war against Communism.

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